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**Department of Health Care Services
Children's Medical Services Network
(CMS Net) - Information Bulletin #225**



Planned Changes for the September 29, 2007 Change Cycle

The following is a list of CMS Net System changes which are planned for implementation in the September 2007 Change Cycle:

CMS Net Hours

The CMS Net system (Legacy and Web) will now be available from 6:00 a.m. to 8 p.m.

CMS Net Web

Blank Screen When Printing Denial/Cancellation: A denial or cancellation letter will now appear instead of the blank screen when selecting Family from the distribution list.

Provider SAR Report: Modified the report to require the user to choose a provider type. Added dental providers, SAR status, and county code.

Provider Search Screen: Removed the leading space in the Provider ID field on the Provider Search screen.

Special Care Center Screen: Added AKA as a free text field for the Special Care Centers.

Courtesy Copies: Changed the text at the top of the carbon copy letters to say "Courtesy Copy" versus "Carbon Copy".

Web Messaging System: Created a web-based messaging system, which will replace Mailman in the legacy system by the end of 2007. A manual will be posted on the web.

The Web Messaging system provides the ability for CMS Net users to send Web messages to Dependent Counties, Independent Counties, Regional Offices, and other State personnel. Web messaging functionality will allow a user to:

- Create new web messages
- Send to multiple recipients
- Reply
- Forward
- Sort
- Create, rename, and delete folders

Some things to keep in mind with the Web Messaging system:

1. **Not an External Email application.** Messages cannot be sent to external email addresses.
2. **Web messages can only be sent to active users that have access to CMS Net Web System.** Internal Use Only.
3. **Attachments are not allowed.**
4. **Web Messaging will eventually replace Mailman in Legacy.**
Temporarily, users will have the option to use both Web Messaging and Mailman. There will be a timeline (end of 2007) to stop using Mailman before we remove Mailman from Legacy.
5. **Mailman and Web Messaging are not connected.**
6. **Mailman messages will not be converted to Web Messages.**

CMS Net Legacy

Referral Source Field: Added DDS to the “Referral Source” table in the Patient Registration Face sheet (CMSFS-10).

Relationship to Patient Field: Added Conservator to the “Relationship to Patient” table in the Patient Registration Face Sheet (CMSFS-20).

MEDs Inquiry - Medi-Cal Coverage Results Screen: Corrected the Medi-Cal number field (County ID) to display the full nine-digit number versus a four-digit number or blank when a number should be displayed. This was happening at the end of each month when MEDS calculated future eligibility.

MC 2134 Letter – Added the ability to select from the vendor table for carbon copies.

Patient Registration Face Sheet: Removed extra lines at the top of the face sheet to reduce the number of printed pages.

Conference Call

At the last CCS Executive Committee meeting, it was decided that the CMS IT Section would send out advance notification of the changes planned for CMS Net during the next system change cycle. County Administrators and their staff will have one week to review the proposed changes and identify any questions or concerns.

A conference call with the Administrators will be scheduled at which time those questions or concerns will be discussed with the CMS Branch IT staff. The Agenda will be limited to the changes planned for the upcoming change cycle.

Scheduled Date: 09/19/07

Scheduled Time: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Conference Telephone Number: 877 601-6835

Conference Call Pass Code: 9348397